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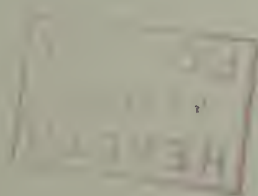
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RURAL DISTRICT OF HEMSWORTH.

Public Health Department,  
Adiscombe House,  
Barnsley Road,  
Hemsworth.

To the Chairman and Members of the Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report on the health and health services in your district for the year 1960.

The first part of the report dealing with the vital statistics relating to the Rural District is presented in similar form to previous years.

The section dealing with the personal health services administered by me as Divisional Medical Officer of the West Riding County Council shows a number of changes from previous years having been modified to include information on services in which I believe you to be interested, and it deals with the division as a whole.

The report of your Senior Public Health Inspector deals with the detailed work of his department and is complementary to my own.

During the year the number of inhabited houses increased by 35 to 15,286 and the fall in the total births noted in 1959 continued, there being 115 fewer in 1960.

There were 25 still births compared with 26 in the previous year but Infant Deaths totalled 35 compared with 31 in 1959, and this figure when related to the reduced number of live births has resulted in an Infant Mortality Rate of 35.5.

There were fortunately no maternal deaths during the year but the total Deaths (All Age Groups) numbered 470, an increase of 70 on the previous year. This increase has been mainly in the group of vascular diseases affecting brain and heart.

Infectious disease notifications fell markedly due to the absence of epidemic measles and there was no case of poliomyelitis.

Figures for immunisation against diptheria, tetanus and whooping cough all show a marked improvement but smallpox vaccination was once again poor.

For the remainder of the report my comments have accompanied the figures where I considered it necessary or desirable.

In conclusion I wish to thank my colleagues in other departments and the staff in my department for their co-operation and help during the year.

The Chairman and Members of the Health Committee have continued to show great interest in the work of the Health Department and I am grateful for their support.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

J.S. WALTERS.

M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.  
Medical Officer of Health.



PART ONE

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

|                                                       |               |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Area of the District                                  | 29,019 acres. |
| Population (Register-General's<br>estimated mid-year) | 52,620.       |
| Rateable Value (at 31.12.60)                          | £409, 793.    |
| Product of ld. rate (at 31.12.60)                     | £1655.        |
| Number of inhabited houses (estimated<br>31.12.60)    | 15,286.       |

VITAL STATISTICS.

| <u>LIVE BIRTHS:</u> | <u>Male.</u>      | <u>Female.</u>    | <u>Total.</u>     |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Legitimate          | 478               | 457               | 935               |
| Illegitimate        | <u>24</u>         | <u>27</u>         | <u>51</u>         |
|                     | 502               | 484               | 986               |
|                     | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

LIVE BIRTH RATE:

|          |                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| Crude    | 18.7 per 1,000 estimated population. |
| Adjusted | 18.4 per 1,000 estimated population. |

| <u>STILL BIRTHS:</u> | <u>Male.</u>      | <u>Female.</u>    | <u>Total.</u>     |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Legitimate           | 11                | 13                | 24                |
| Illegitimate         | <u>1</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>1</u>          |
|                      | 12                | 13                | 25                |
|                      | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

Still Birth Rate 24.7 per 1,000 live and still births.

|                                 | <u>Male.</u>      | <u>Female.</u>    | <u>Total.</u>     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Total Live and Still Births.    | 514               | 497               | 1,011             |
|                                 | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| Infant Death (total) Legitimate | 21                | 13                | 34                |
| Illegitimate                    | <u>1</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>1</u>          |
|                                 | 22                | 13                | 35                |
|                                 | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

|                              | <u>Male.</u>      | <u>Female.</u>    | <u>Total.</u>     |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Infant Death (under 4 weeks) |                   |                   |                   |
| Legitimate                   | 14                | 9                 | 23                |
| Illegitimate                 | <u>1</u>          | <u>-</u>          | <u>1</u>          |
|                              | 15                | 9                 | 24                |
|                              | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

INFANT MORTALITY RATE:

|              |                                                |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Total        | 35.5 per 1,000 total live births.              |
| Legitimate   | 36.4 per 1,000 total legitimate live births.   |
| Illegitimate | 19.6 per 1,000 total illegitimate live births. |

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (infants under 4 weeks) 24.3 per 1,000 total live births.

Percentage of illegitimate live births 5.2%

Maternal Deaths Nil.

| <u>Deaths.</u> | <u>Male.</u> | <u>Female.</u> | <u>Total.</u> |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| All age groups | 273          | 197            | 470           |

Death Rate.

|          |   |                                      |
|----------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Crude    | - | 8.9 per 1,000 estimated population.  |
| Adjusted | - | 13.0 per 1,000 estimated population. |



COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

|                              | <u>1960</u> | <u>1959</u> | <u>1958</u> | <u>1957</u> | <u>1956</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>BIRTH RATE</u>            |             |             |             |             |             |
| (adjusted)                   |             |             |             |             |             |
| Rural District               | 18.4        | 20.7        | 21.2        | 21.5        | 21.4        |
| West Riding                  | 17.1        | 16.7        | 16.9        | 16.7        | 16.5        |
| England and Wales            | 17.1        | 16.5        | 16.4        | 16.1        | 15.7        |
| <u>STILL BIRTH RATE</u>      |             |             |             |             |             |
|                              |             |             |             |             |             |
| Rural District               | 24.7        | 23.1        | 24.4        | 25.1        | 22.9        |
| West Riding                  | 22.4        | 20.4        | 22.8        | 23.9        | 23.1        |
| England and Wales            | 19.7        | 20.7        | 21.6        | 22.4        | 23.0        |
| <u>DEATH RATE</u>            |             |             |             |             |             |
| (adjusted)                   |             |             |             |             |             |
| Rural District               | 13.0        | 11.1        | 12.8        | 10.8        | 12.1        |
| West Riding                  | 12.6        | 12.7        | 13.0        | 12.7        | 12.9        |
| England and Wales            | 11.5        | 11.6        | 11.7        | 11.5        | 11.7        |
| <u>INFANT MORTALITY RATE</u> |             |             |             |             |             |
|                              |             |             |             |             |             |
| Rural District               | 35.5        | 28.2        | 25.0        | 24.0        | 30.7        |
| West Riding                  | 22.5        | 24.0        | 24.4        | 26.4        | 27.1        |
| England and Wales            | 21.7        | 22.0        | 22.5        | 23.0        | 23.8        |

The principle causes of death are set out in the following table:-

| Disease                                 | Male | Female | Total |
|-----------------------------------------|------|--------|-------|
| Tuberculosis, respiratory.              | 5    | 1      | 6     |
| Syphilitic disease.                     | 2    | -      | 2     |
| Malignant neoplasm, stomach.            | 12   | 4      | 16    |
| Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus.      | 11   | 1      | 12    |
| Malignant neoplasm, breast.             | -    | 5      | 5     |
| Malignant neoplasm, uterus.             | -    | 7      | 7     |
| Malignant neoplasm, others.             | 22   | 16     | 38    |
| Leukaemia.                              | 1    | 1      | 2     |
| Diabetes.                               | 1    | 7      | 8     |
| Vascular lesion of nervous system.      | 41   | 35     | 76    |
| Coronary disease, angina.               | 57   | 28     | 85    |
| Hypertension.                           | 2    | 3      | 5     |
| Other heart disease.                    | 25   | 24     | 49    |
| Other circulatory disease.              | 6    | 9      | 15    |
| Pneumonia.                              | 10   | 8      | 18    |
| Bronchitis.                             | 26   | 10     | 36    |
| Other disease of respiratory system.    | 3    | 2      | 5     |
| Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.          | 2    | 2      | 4     |
| Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea.     | 3    | 2      | 5     |
| Nephritis and nephrosis.                | 4    | 1      | 5     |
| Hyperplasia of prostate.                | 3    | -      | 3     |
| Congenital malformation.                | 2    | 7      | 9     |
| Other defined and ill-defined diseases. | 18   | 15     | 33    |
| Motor Vehicle accidents.                | 4    | 2      | 6     |
| All other accidents.                    | 8    | 6      | 14    |
| Suicide.                                | 5    | 1      | 6     |
| TOTAL                                   | 273  | 197    | 470   |

There has been an increase of 70 deaths on the 1959 figure. This has been largely contributed to by the group of vascular lesions affecting the brain and the heart which together have increased by 54 from the previous year. There has also been an increase of 15 in the group of malignant new growths.

INFANT MORTALITY.

The following table gives the causes of death of all infants under 1 year of age classified into age groups:-

| Cause of Death              | Age Groups.     |              |              |              |             |             |             |              | Totals. |        |       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------|--------|-------|
|                             | Under<br>1 week | 1-2<br>weeks | 2-3<br>weeks | 3-4<br>weeks | 1-3<br>mths | 3-6<br>mths | 6-9<br>mths | 9-12<br>mths | Male    | Female | Total |
| Congenital malformations    | 3               |              |              | 1            | 1           |             |             |              | 1       | 4      | 5     |
| Pneumonia                   | 2               | 1            |              |              | 1           | 1           | 1           | 2            | 5       | 3      | 8     |
| Gastro-enteritis            |                 |              | 1            |              | 4           |             |             |              | 3       | 2      | 5     |
| Upper respiratory Infection |                 |              |              |              |             |             | 1           | 1            | 2       | -      | 2     |
| Birth Injuries              | 4               |              |              |              |             |             |             |              | 4       | -      | 4     |
| Atelectasis                 | 3               |              |              |              |             |             |             |              | 2       | 1      | 3     |
| Prematurity                 | 7               | 1            |              |              |             |             |             |              | 5       | 3      | 8     |
| Totals                      | 19              | 2            | 1            | 1            | 6           | 1           | 2           | 3            | 22      | 13     | 35    |

Of the total of 35 deaths, 8 occurred at home and 27 in hospitals. 15 deaths were the result of infection and must be considered to have been avoidable. Of the remainder the 8 fatal premature births are 3 fewer than the previous year. It is probable that greater ante natal care could have reduced this figure even more.

Vital statistics for the various parishes are shown in the following table :-

| Parish                         | Area<br>(Acres) | Population<br>(est) | Live Births |     | Deaths |     | Death<br>under<br>1 year | Still<br>Births |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----|--------|-----|--------------------------|-----------------|
|                                |                 |                     | M           | F   | M      | F   |                          |                 |
| Ackworth                       | 2645            | 4530                | 34          | 30  | 24     | 15  | 2                        | -               |
| Badsworth                      | 1547            | 177                 | 2           | 1   | 1      | 3   | -                        | -               |
| Billingley                     | 863             | 116                 | 1           | 1   | 3      | 1   | -                        | -               |
| Brierley (with<br>Grimethorpe) | 2583            | 8060                | 95          | 89  | 38     | 27  | 6                        | 4               |
| Great Houghton                 | 1649            | 2410                | 17          | 21  | 15     | 12  | 1                        | 3               |
| Havercroft                     | 1364            | 2240                | 32          | 21  | 20     | 9   | 2                        | 2               |
| Hessle, Hill Top<br>& Wragby.  | 900             | 143                 | 1           | 1   | 3      | 1   | -                        | -               |
| Huntwick, Foulby<br>& Nostell. | 1189            | 343                 | 2           | 3   | 4      | -   | -                        | -               |
| Kirk Smeaton                   | 1700            | 205                 | -           | 1   | 2      | 1   | -                        | -               |
| Little Houghton                | 669             | 740                 | 13          | 16  | 3      | 9   | 1                        | 2               |
| Little Smeaton                 | 1043            | 288                 | 2           | 2   | 3      | 2   | -                        | 1               |
| Ryhill                         | 592             | 2780                | 18          | 14  | 15     | 9   | 1                        | 1               |
| Shafton                        | 830             | 2070                | 17          | 25  | 7      | 8   | 3                        | 2               |
| South Elmsall                  | 1426            | 7774                | 67          | 67  | 45     | 33  | 3                        | 2               |
| South Hiendley                 | 1291            | 1657                | 9           | 8   | 5      | 4   | -                        | 1               |
| South Kirkby                   | 2362            | 12610               | 119         | 130 | 68     | 42  | 9                        | 7               |
| Thorpe Audlin                  | 1310            | 329                 | 3           | 3   | 1      | 1   | -                        | -               |
| Upton & North<br>Elmsall.      | 2231            | 6002                | 69          | 50  | 16     | 20  | 7                        | -               |
| Walden Stubbs                  | 1373            | 123                 | 1           | -   | -      | -   | -                        | -               |
| West Hardwick                  | 452             | 23                  | -           | 1   | -      | -   | -                        | -               |
| Totals                         | 29,019          | 52,620              | 502         | 484 | 273    | 197 | 35                       | 25              |
|                                |                 |                     | 986         |     | 470    |     |                          |                 |

Infectious and other Notifiable Diseases.

CASES CLASSIFIED INTO AGE GROUPS

| Disease                  | Under 1 year | 1 - 2 years | 3 - 4 years | 5 - 9 years | 10 - 14 years | 15 - 24 years | 25 - 34 years | 35 - 44 years | 45 - 64 years | 65 and over | Totals. |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| Scarlet Fever            | -            | 4           | 8           | 17          | 6             | -             | 1             | -             | -             | -           | 36      |
| Whooping Cough           | 10           | 28          | 32          | 43          | 7             | 1             | 1             | -             | 1             | -           | 123     |
| Measles                  | 14           | 47          | 61          | 59          | 2             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -           | 183     |
| Pneumonia                | 1            | -           | 1           | 1           | -             | -             | 3             | 2             | 2             | 3           | 13      |
| Dysentery                | -            | 6           | 8           | 10          | 6             | 4             | 7             | 4             | 1             | -           | 46      |
| Erysipelas               | -            | -           | -           | -           | -             | -             | -             | -             | 1             | -           | 1       |
| Meningococcal Infection. | -            | -           | -           | 1           | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -           | 1       |
| Food Poisoning           | -            | 3           | 1           | 1           | -             | -             | 2             | 1             | -             | -           | 8       |
| Puerperal Pyrexia        | -            | -           | -           | -           | -             | 1             | -             | -             | -             | -           | 1       |
| Tuberculosis: Resp.      | -            | -           | 1           | 1           | -             | 3             | 5             | 4             | 6             | 3           | 23      |
| "    Non-Resp.           | -            | -           | -           | -           | 1             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -           | 1       |
| Totals.                  | 25           | 88          | 112         | 133         | 22            | 9             | 19            | 11            | 11            | 6           | 436     |



CASES NOTIFIED MONTH BY MONTH

| Disease.                 | January. | February. | March. | April. | May. | June. | July. | August. | September. | October. | November. | December. | Totals. |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|--------|--------|------|-------|-------|---------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Scarlet Fever.           | 7        | 3         | 1      | 2      | 2    | 2     | 3     | 2       | 3          | 5        | 3         | 3         | 36      |
| Whooping Cough.          | 18       | 3         | 24     | 20     | 3    | 11    | 32    | 6       | 2          | 2        | 2         | -         | 123     |
| Measles.                 | -        | 1         | 1      | -      | -    | -     | 35    | 22      | 16         | 38       | 22        | 48        | 183     |
| Pneumonia.               | 3        | 1         | 1      | 2      | -    | 3     | -     | 1       | 1          | -        | -         | 1         | 13      |
| Dysentery.               | 1        | -         | -      | -      | 1    | 3     | 22    | 7       | 8          | -        | -         | 4         | 46      |
| Erysipelas.              | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | -          | 1        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Meningococcal Infection. | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | -          | 1        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Food Poisoning.          | -        | -         | -      | -      | 2    | 1     | 3     | 1       | 1          | -        | -         | -         | 8       |
| Puerperal Pyrexia.       | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | -          | 1        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Tuberculosis: Resp.      | 2        | -         | 1      | 3      | 1    | 2     | 3     | 1       | 3          | 2        | -         | 5         | 23      |
| "        Non-Resp.       | -        | -         | 1      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Totals.                  | 31       | 8         | 29     | 27     | 9    | 22    | 98    | 40      | 34         | 50       | 27        | 61        | 436     |

The absence of a major epidemic of measles is largely responsible for the reduction in total notifications from 967 last year to 436 this year. Respiratory tuberculosis has increased from 18 to 23. The presence in the community of elderly chronic cases who resent advice and fail to co-operate maintains a possible source of new infection. However careful the supervision and follow up of contacts there must be occasions when infection is a possibility.

No case of poliomyelitis occurred during the year.



CASES NOTIFIED IN PARISHES.

| Parishes.        | Scarlet Fever. | Whooping Cough. | Measles. | Pneumonia. | Meningococcal Infection. | Dysentery. | Food Poisoning | Puerperal Pyrexia. | Erysipelas. | Tuber-<br>culosis. |                 | Totals. |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------|
|                  |                |                 |          |            |                          |            |                |                    |             | Respiratory.       | Non-Respiratory |         |
| Ackworth.        | 1              | 22              | 2        | 1          | 0                        | 19         | 4              | 0                  | 0           | 1                  | 1               | 51      |
| Badsworth.       | -              | 2               | 3        | -          | 0                        | -          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 5       |
| Brierley.        | 1              | -               | 3        | 1          | 0                        | 0          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 5       |
| Great Houghton.  | -              | -               | -        | 1          | 0                        | 0          | -              | -                  | -           | 0                  | -               | 1       |
| Grimethorpe.     | 1              | 14              | 5        | 1          | 0                        | 6          | 1              | -                  | -           | 3                  | -               | 31      |
| Havercroft.      | 2              | 39              | 12       | -          | 0                        | 0          | 0              | -                  | 0           | 1                  | -               | 54      |
| Little Houghton. | -              | -               | -        | 2          | 0                        | 0          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 2       |
| Moorthorpe.      | -              | 1               | 9        | -          | 0                        | 7          | 0              | -                  | -           | 5                  | -               | 22      |
| Ryhill.          | 1              | 23              | 6        | -          | 0                        | -          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 30      |
| Shafton.         | -              | 8               | -        | 0          | 0                        | -          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 8       |
| South Elmsall.   | 3              | 2               | 15       | -          | 0                        | 4          | -              | -                  | -           | 3                  | -               | 27      |
| South Hiendley.  | 1              | 9               | -        | 0          | 0                        | 0          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 10      |
| South Kirkby.    | 10             | -               | 83       | -          | 0                        | 6          | -              | -                  | -           | 7                  | -               | 106     |
| Thorpe Audlin.   | -              | -               | 2        | -          | 0                        | -          | 2              | 1                  | -           | -                  | -               | 5       |
| Upton.           | 16             | 2               | 43       | 7          | 1                        | 4          | 1              | -                  | 1           | 3                  | -               | 78      |
| Wragby.          | -              | 1               | -        | 0          | 0                        | 0          | -              | -                  | -           | -                  | -               | 1       |
| Totals.          | 36             | 123             | 183      | 13         | 1                        | 46         | 8              | 1                  | 1           | 23                 | 1               | 336     |

## TUBERCULOSIS.

The following table summarises the particulars contained in the Tuberculosis Register.

| Number of cases on Register.                                   | Respiratory. |     | Non-Respiratory. |    | Total. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----|------------------|----|--------|
|                                                                | M            | F   | M                | F  |        |
| No. of cases on Register at commencement of year.              | 183          | 146 | 17               | 27 | 373    |
| No. of cases notified for the first time during the year.      | 16           | 7   | -                | 1  | 24     |
| No. of cases restored to the Register.                         | 1            | 3   | -                | -  | 4      |
| No. of cases added to Register otherwise than by notification. | 7            | 1   | 1                | -  | 9      |
| No. of cases removed from Register through:-                   |              |     |                  |    |        |
| (a) Death                                                      | 9            | 2   | -                | -  | 11     |
| (b) Recovered                                                  | 5            | 13  | 1                | 1  | 20     |
| (c) Removed                                                    | 6            | 6   | -                | -  | 12     |
| (d) Revised Diagnosis                                          | 1            | -   | -                | -  | 1      |
| Total remaining on the Register at year end.                   | 186          | 136 | 17               | 27 | 366    |

In spite of the reduction in number on the register from 373 to 366 the number of new cases notified gives no grounds for complacency.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE.

HEALTH DIVISION NO. 23.

HEMSWORTH URBAN DISTRICT

HEMSWORTH RURAL DISTRICT

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER  
1960.

by

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DIVISIONAL STAFF (at 31.12.60)

Divisional Medical Officer and Divisional School Medical Officer.

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Assistant County Medical Officers and School Medical Officers.

Edith E. Crompton, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (Senior).

Josephine Hayes, M.B., Ch.B.

Kathleen O'Beirne, M.B., Ch.B.

Clinic Medical Officers (part time).

P. Cram, M.B., Ch.B.

J.S. Laurie, M.B., Ch.B.

J.W. McRobert, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O.

D. Vining, M.B., Ch.B.

Leeds Regional Hospital Board - Visiting and Consultant Staff.

Ophthalmologist.

J. W. Kirkwood, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Orthopaedic Surgeon.

R. W. L. Calderwood, F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Divisional Nursing Officer.

Miss S. Willett.

Health Visitors and School Nurses.

Miss M. Bunting.

Mrs. D. E. Lindsey.

Miss N. Miskell.

Mrs. N. Cookson.

Miss E. T. Marren.

Mrs. M. Newton.

Miss M. Kennington.

Miss D. Marsh.

Miss A. Parrott.

Mrs. B. Thorpe.

Miss F.M. Vamplew.

Assistants - Mrs. D. Clark. Mrs. J. A. Wilson.

Midwives.

Mrs. D. M. Beaumont.

Mrs. B. Hesketh.

Mrs. E. E. Megson.

Miss C. I. Broadley.

Miss M. L. Heyward.

Mrs. M. V. Porter.

Miss S. Blanchard.

Mrs. L. Jenkins.

Mrs. A. W. Jones.

Mrs. V. Crawford.

Miss F. King.

Miss M. E. Ryall.

Mrs. W. Robinson.

Miss A. Ingham.

Home Nurses.

|                     |                      |                      |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Mrs. G. Bristow.    | Mrs. E. Hirst.       | Mrs. F. J. Makinson. |
| Mrs. M. E. Edwards. | Mrs. J. Kitchen.     | Mrs. J. Megson.      |
| Mrs. J. O. Garratt. | Mrs. M. C. Kitching. | Mrs. V. Sherwood.    |
| Mrs. M. Giles.      | Mrs. E. R. Leake.    | Mrs. H. Tallett.     |
|                     |                      | Mrs. M. Watson.      |

Mental Health.

Mental Welfare Officer - Mr. P. Noden.

Hemsworth Training Centre - Mrs. M. E. Towell (Supervisor)  
Mr. L. I. Wright. Miss D. Casey.  
Mrs. S. M. Rusby. Mrs. G. M. Wright.

Speech Therapist.

Mrs. A. L. Claxton-Smith.

Chiropodist.

Mr. A. A. Aldam.

Clerical Staff.

|                              |                                    |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mr. G. Ellis - Senior Clerk. | Mr. F. Henry - Deputy Senior Clerk |
| Mr. C. Miles.                | Miss E. C. Banner.                 |
| Miss P. M. Glew.             | Mrs. W. E. Theaker.                |
| Miss G. A. Vamplew.          | Miss J. B. Whalley.                |
| Mrs. M. M. Williams.         |                                    |



The Hemsworth Urban and Rural Districts together form Health Division 23 of the West Riding County Council. The area of work of the medical, nursing and other staff of the County Council is demarcated only by the divisional boundary and details of the various services provided by the County Council as Local Health and Education Authority are given for the division as a whole.

Care of Mothers and Young Children and Nursing Service.

(a) Child Welfare Clinics.

There are 11 clinics in the Division; details of the days of opening and brief statistics of attendances are given in the table below. The Hemsworth, South Elmsall and Grimethorpe clinics are now held in purpose built premises which are admired and appreciated by the patient and staff - the new Grimethorpe clinic having been completed during the year. The remainder of the clinics are held in rented premises such as Church Halls and while everything possible is done to improve the facilities available several can never be regarded as fully satisfactory. A new clinic for South Kirkby is included in the building programmes for the coming year, but replacement of the remainder cannot at present be justified.

A doctor and health visitor is present at each session to give advice on infant health and feeding problems and give protective inoculations. A variety of baby foods and vitamin preparations are available for sale to mothers at cost price, and in many of these clinics this work is undertaken by ladies of the voluntary committee. To them I wish to express my sincere thanks for their continued help during the year.

The popularity of the clinics is shown by the attendance of 90% of all babies in the age group 0-1 year.

| <u>Address of Centre.</u>                               | <u>Day of opening.</u>                | <u>No. of children<br/>attended during<br/>year.</u> | <u>Total<br/>attendance.</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ackworth CWC,<br>Mission Rooms,<br>Ackworth.            | Wednesday afternoon<br>(fortnightly). | 107                                                  | 1090                         |
| Fitzwilliam CWC,<br>Church Hall,<br>Fitzwilliam.        | Tuesday afternoon<br>(weekly).        | 91                                                   | 1205                         |
| Great Houghton,<br>Methodist Chapel,<br>Great Houghton. | Tuesday afternoon<br>(fortnightly).   | 54                                                   | 762                          |
| Grimethorpe Clinic,<br>Cemetery Road,<br>Grimethorpe.   | Wednesday afternoon<br>(weekly).      | 289                                                  | 1594                         |



| <u>Address of Centre.</u>                                       | <u>Day of opening.</u>                | <u>No. of children<br/>attended during<br/>year.</u> | <u>Total<br/>attendance.</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Hemsworth Clinic,<br>Highfield Road,<br>Hemsworth.              | Wednesday afternoon<br>(weekly).      | 144                                                  | 2322                         |
| Ryhill Clinic,<br>Cemetery Road,<br>Ryhill.                     | Thursday afternoon<br>(weekly).       | 149                                                  | 1624                         |
| Shafton Clinic,<br>Methodist Chapel,<br>Shafton.                | Thursday afternoon<br>(fortnightly).  | 58                                                   | 461                          |
| South Elmsall Clinic,<br>Westfield Lane,<br>South Elmsall.      | Monday<br>(weekly).                   | 158                                                  | 2947                         |
| South Hiendley,<br>Methodist Chapel,<br>South Hiendley.         | Wednesday afternoon<br>(fortnightly). | 37                                                   | 473                          |
| South Kirkby,<br>P.I.C.S. Rooms,<br>The Green,<br>South Kirkby. | Monday afternoon<br>(weekly).         | 330                                                  | 1989                         |
| Upton Clinic,<br>Welfare Hall,<br>Upton.                        | Tuesday afternoon<br>(weekly).        | 118                                                  | 1093                         |

(b) Ante-Natal Clinics.

Ante-Natal sessions are held at 7 of our clinic premises and continue to be well attended in spite of the increasing numbers of expectant mothers attending their own doctors for maternity medical care. The emphasis at our clinics is gradually changing from the clinical to the educational aspects, special sessions now being held for "midwives only" clinics at which relaxation exercises according to the methods of Dr. Grantley Dick Reid and advice on the care of management of the expectant mother and her baby are given.

Brief statistics relating to Ante-Natal clinics are given below:-

| <u>Clinic.</u>                                                      | <u>Day of opening.</u>              | <u>Total number of<br/>women who attended<br/>during 1960.</u> | <u>Total<br/>attendance.</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ackworth ANC.<br>Mission Rooms,<br>Wakefield Road,<br>Ackworth.     | Tuesday afternoon<br>(fortnightly). | 67                                                             | 385                          |
| Fitzwilliam ANC.<br>Church Hall,<br>Fitzwilliam.                    | Thursday afternoon<br>(weekly).     | 174                                                            | 836                          |
| Grimethorpe ANC.<br>Cemetery Road,<br>Grimethorpe.                  | Tuesday morning<br>(weekly).        | 129                                                            | 917                          |
| Hemsworth ANC.<br>Highfield Road,<br>Hemsworth.                     | Wednesday morning<br>(weekly).      | 107                                                            | 695                          |
| Ryhill ANC.<br>Church Hall,<br>Ryhill.                              | Tuesday afternoon<br>(weekly).      | 154                                                            | 630                          |
| South Elmsall ANC.<br>Westfield Lane,<br>South Elmsall.             | Thursday afternoon<br>(weekly).     | 47                                                             | 558                          |
| South Kirkby ANC.<br>P.I.C.S. Rooms,<br>The Green,<br>South Kirkby. | Tuesday afternoon<br>(weekly).      | 129                                                            | 828                          |

(c) Health Visiting.

9 fully qualified Health Visitors with 2 assistants comprise the health visiting staff of the Division and apart from their home visiting and clinic duties they also act as school nurses under the school health service. Their duties are widespread and they are now regarded as "all purpose" visitors. An interesting addition to their work during 1960 was the introduction of a simple urine test on all new born babies visited which gives a strong indication as to whether the baby is suffering from phenylketonuria - an inherited metabolic disease which causes irreversible brain damage and mental deterioration. Suspected cases can be referred for laboratory confirmation and early diagnosis permits of special dietary control which prevents the child becoming mentally defective.

Brief statistics are given below:-

|                   |                              |   |        |
|-------------------|------------------------------|---|--------|
| Total visits to : | Expectant mothers            | - | 456    |
|                   | Children under 1 year of age | - | 11,065 |
|                   | Children 1-2 years           | - | 6,360  |
|                   | Children 2-5 years           | - | 6,379  |
|                   | Tuberculosis households      | - | 448    |
|                   | Other cases                  | - | 8,173  |
|                   | Clinic sessions              | - | 1,399  |

(d) Midwifery.

The 14 midwives in the division delivered at home 612 of the total of 1,306 births notified during the year. In addition they attended 575 cases who had been delivered in hospitals but who were discharged before the 14th day.

All the midwives are trained in the administration of gas and air analgesia and carry machines for its administration. During the year, they also received training in the administration of 'Trilene', an improved analgesic for use in midwifery cases and issues of the new apparatus have already begun.

Illegitimate Children.

49 cases were specially dealt with during the year, the mothers including 25 single women, for most of whom a thirteen week stay in moral welfare homes was arranged, the County Council accepting financial responsibility for their maintenance. Of the 49 babies, 25 were kept by the mother, 15 by grandparents and the remainder either adopted, fostered or died.

The age groups of the mothers concerned were as follows:-

|    |   |          |   |    |
|----|---|----------|---|----|
| 16 | - | 19 years | - | 10 |
| 20 | - | 25 years | - | 21 |
| 26 | - | 30 years | - | 10 |
| 31 | - | 40 years | - | 8  |

Premature Infants.

The agreed definition of a premature infant is one which weighs  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. or less at birth, irrespective of the length of gestation.

124 such babies were born in the Division during 1960 and details of survival are given below:-

| <u>Place of Birth.</u> | <u>Total.</u> | <u>Stillborn.</u> | <u>Alive.</u> | <u>Died within</u> |                | <u>4 weeks.</u> | <u>Survived</u><br><u>4 weeks.</u> |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
|                        |               |                   |               | <u>24 hrs.</u>     | <u>1 week.</u> |                 |                                    |
| Home                   | 37            | 2                 | 35            | 2                  | 1              | -               | 32                                 |
| Hospital               | 89            | 12                | 77            | 9                  | 4              | 2               | 62                                 |

(e) Home Nursing.

The Home Nurses work very closely with the general practitioners and their total visits again show an increase. Brief statistics are given below:-

|                                            |       |              |         |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|--------------|---------|
| Total cases                                | 1,795 | Total visits | 38,979. |
| Patients aged 65 and included above        | 562   | " "          | 21,223. |
| Patients who recieved more than 24 visits. | 301   | " "          | 24,957. |
| Total visits for injection only            |       |              | 16,378. |

Other Local Health Services.

(a) Domestic Helps.

83 part-time home helps are employed in the Division, this figure being equivalent to 37 full time employees.

The number and type of cases helped were as follows:-

| <u>Type.</u>                  | <u>No. of cases.</u> | <u>Total hours employed.</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Maternity.                    | 25                   | 2,278.                       |
| Tuberculosis.                 | 6                    | 864                          |
| Chronic sick, under 65 years. | 29                   | 3,082                        |
| Chronic sick, over 65 years.  | 479                  | 77,536                       |
| Others.                       | <u>23</u>            | <u>1,685</u>                 |
|                               | <u>562</u>           | <u>85,445</u>                |

(b) Chiropody.

During 1960 the County Council approved a scheme to provide free chiropody treatment to men and women of pensionable age, the physically handicapped and expectant mothers. Some difficulty was experienced in setting up the scheme in this division due mainly to the shortage of chiropodists with the minimum qualifications prescribed by the Minister, but with the co-operation of the Hemsworth and District Old Peoples Welfare Committee it was possible to commence treatment throughout most of the Rural district in September on an agency basis employing local chiropodists without the prescribed qualification. Treatment for patients in the Urban District and the remainder of the Rural began in November when the part time services of a qualified chiropodist was obtained and "direct sessions commenced at Hemsworth Clinic.



Statistics are given below:-

Agency Service.

|                        | <u>At Surgery<br/>or Clinic.</u> | <u>At Home.</u> | <u>Type of Case.</u> |              |             |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|
|                        |                                  |                 | <u>Pensioner.</u>    | <u>Ph.H.</u> | <u>E.M.</u> |
| Total patients treated | 302                              | 118             | 387                  | 33           | -           |
| Total treatment given  | 521                              | 213             | 670                  | 64           | -           |

Direct Service.

|                        |    |    |    |   |   |
|------------------------|----|----|----|---|---|
| Total patients treated | 37 | 37 | 35 | 2 | - |
| Total treatments given | 39 | 37 | 70 | 6 | - |

(c) Loan of Nursing Equipment.

Considerable stocks of nursing equipment ranging from bedding to wheel chairs are held by the home nurses and at the Health Department for the issue or loan to patients being nursed at home. In all 32 different items are stocked and many more can be obtained from central supplies at short notice. Some 630 separate loans were made during the year.

(d) Ambulance Service.

All ambulance calls in the Division are dealt with by the South Kirkby Depot, the service being under the direct control of the County Ambulance Officer who has kindly supplied the following information relating to the South Kirkby Depot:-

|                   |   |         |
|-------------------|---|---------|
| Out-Patients      | " | 25,672  |
| Admissions        | " | 3,002   |
| Discharges        | " | 1,911   |
| Transfers         | " | 613     |
| Accident Patients | " | 426     |
| Total Patients    | " | 31,624  |
| Stretcher Cases   | " | 3,784   |
| Sitting Cases     | " | 27,840  |
| Mileage travelled | " | 221,266 |

Staff Details

|                   |   |    |
|-------------------|---|----|
| Station Officer   | - | 1  |
| Driver/Attendants | - | 27 |
| Telephonists      | - | 2  |
| Vehicles          | - | 8  |

(e) Mental Health Service.

The full provisions of the 1959 Mental Health Act came into effect on the 1st November. The Act places great emphasis on community care and gives local health authorities vast new responsibilities in the care of the mentally disordered.

The decision to appoint two Mental Welfare Officers was made and in the division one appointment was filled prior to the Act coming into force. These officers will have far more duties towards the patient than his simple removal to hospital and they will provide a friendly link between the patient and the whole range of social services which could be of benefit. Their visits to a patient will continue until he is completely restored to his normal place within the community.

Expansion in the training facilities available for the mentally subnormal will take place side by side with the growth of field work and preliminary investigations already suggest that considerable extension to the existing Hemsworth Training Centre will be required in the near future. Brief details of the number of subnormal patients in the Division are given below:-

| Category.          |          |    |         |    | In Training Centre |    |         |    |
|--------------------|----------|----|---------|----|--------------------|----|---------|----|
|                    | Under 16 |    | Over 16 |    | Under 16           |    | Over 16 |    |
|                    | M.       | F. | M.      | F. | M.                 | F. | M.      | F. |
| Subnormal          | 8        | 7  | 30      | 31 | 7                  | 4  | 4       | 5  |
| Severely subnormal | 11       | 11 | 13      | 11 | 6                  | 7  | 4       | 7  |
|                    | 19       | 18 | 43      | 42 | 13                 | 11 | 8       | 12 |
|                    | <hr/>    |    | <hr/>   |    | <hr/>              |    | <hr/>   |    |
|                    | 37       |    | 85      |    | 24                 |    | 20      |    |
|                    | <hr/>    |    |         |    | <hr/>              |    |         |    |
|                    | 122      |    |         |    | 44                 |    |         |    |
|                    | <hr/>    |    |         |    | <hr/>              |    |         |    |

National Assistance Act 1948 (Section 47)

No case requiring action under this Section of the Act arose in either the Hemsworth Urban or Rural District during the year.

Vaccination and Immunisation.

(a) Smallpox Vaccination.

The number of persons vaccinated against smallpox during 1960 was as follows:-



| <u>Age at date of Vaccination.</u> | <u>Under 1 yr.</u> | <u>1 yr.</u> | <u>2-4 yrs.</u> | <u>5-14 yrs.</u> | <u>15 yrs.<br/>&amp; over</u> | <u>Total.</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Primary vaccination                | 122                | 10           | 16              | 27               | 53                            | 228           |
| Re-vaccination                     | -                  | -            | 2               | 9                | 48                            | 59            |

There has been little change in acceptance rates during the past few years.

(b) Vaccination against Poliomyelitis.

| <u>Class.</u>            | <u>No. of persons vaccinated during<br/>the year who completed an<br/>initial course of 2 injections.</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Children born 1943-1960  | 1,738                                                                                                     |
| Young persons 1933-1942  | 1,048                                                                                                     |
| Persons born before 1933 | 605                                                                                                       |
| Total                    | <u>3,391</u>                                                                                              |

In addition 6,452 persons received a third booster injection during 1960.

Total number vaccinated since the inception of the scheme in 1956:-

| <u>2 injections</u> | <u>3 injections</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 4,666               | 14,828              |
| <u>19,494</u>       |                     |

(c) B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

(i) Contact Scheme.

Details of B.C.G. vaccination of contacts of known cases of tuberculosis undertaken by Chest Physicians on behalf of the County Council are as follows:-

| <u>No. skin tested.</u> | <u>No. negative.</u> | <u>No. vaccinated.</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 240                     | 80                   | 73                     |

The age groups of those vaccinated were as follows:-

|        | <u>0-5 years.</u> | <u>5-15 years.</u> | <u>over 15 years.</u> | <u>Totals.</u> |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Male   | 16                | 10                 | 6                     | 32             |
| Female | 21                | 9                  | 11                    | 41             |
|        | <u>37</u>         | <u>19</u>          | <u>17</u>             | <u>73</u>      |

(ii) Schoolchildren.

B.C.G. vaccination is offered to all schoolchildren in their 14th year. Details of the work carried out during 1960 are as follows:-

|                                                                   |           |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Number offered tuberculosis testing and vaccination if necessary. |           | 1,168      |
| Number of acceptances.                                            |           | 710        |
| Percentage of acceptances.                                        |           | 60.8%      |
| Number actually tested.                                           |           | 674        |
| Results :                                                         |           |            |
| Positive                                                          | 110       |            |
| Negative                                                          | 542       |            |
| Not ascertained                                                   | <u>22</u> |            |
|                                                                   | Total     | 674        |
| Percentage positive                                               |           | 16.9%      |
| Number vaccinated                                                 |           | <u>542</u> |

(d) Diphtheria Immunisations.

|                                                                  | <u>Age at date of final injection.</u> |                   |                    | <u>Total.</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|
|                                                                  | <u>Under 1 years.</u>                  | <u>1-4 years.</u> | <u>5-14 years.</u> |               |
| No. of children who completed a full initial course during 1960. | 602                                    | 267               | 67                 | 936           |
| No. of children receiving booster doses.                         | -                                      | 15                | 60                 | 75            |

There has been a marked increase in the numbers immunised, the figures for the Division being 40% higher than last year.

The following table shows the number of children who had received a full course of diphtheria immunisations at any time since 1st January, 1946.

|                    |         |           |           |             |          |
|--------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Age at 31.12.60    | Under 1 | 1-4 years | 5-9 years | 10-14 years | Totals   |
| i.e. born in year  | 1960    | 1959-1956 | 1955-1951 | 1950-1945   | under 15 |
| A. 1956-1960       | 222     | 2,398     | 1,402     | 800         | 4,822    |
| B. 1955 or earlier | -       | -         | 1,582     | 4,298       | 5,880    |

(e) Whooping Cough Immunisation.

|                                                                  | <u>Age at date of final injection.</u> |                                   |                 |                 |                 | <u>Total.</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                                                                  | <u>under</u><br><u>6 mths.</u>         | <u>6 mths.</u><br><u>to 1 yr.</u> | <u>1-2 yrs.</u> | <u>2-3 yrs.</u> | <u>3-4 yrs.</u> |               |
| No. of children who completed a full initial course during 1960. | 203                                    | 378                               | 215             | 33              | 25              | 854           |

The improvement noted in the last two years has continued.

The following table shows the number of children who had received a full course of whooping cough immunisation at any time since 1st January, 1946.

|                   |         |           |           |             |          |
|-------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Age at 31.12.60.  | Under 1 | 1-4 years | 5-9 years | 10-14 years | Totals   |
| i.e. born in year | 1960    | 1959-1956 | 1955-1951 | 1950-1946   | under 15 |
| Totals            | 235     | 2,520     | 1,664     | 123         | 4,542    |

Of 146 cases of whooping cough notified, only 6 had previously been immunised.

(f) Tetanus Immunisation.

Immunisations carried out during the year:-

| <u>Age at final</u><br><u>injection.</u> | <u>Under</u><br><u>6 mths.</u> | <u>6 mths.</u><br><u>to 1 yr.</u> | <u>1-2 yrs.</u> | <u>2-3 yrs.</u> | <u>3-4 yrs.</u> | <u>Over</u><br><u>4 yrs.</u> | <u>Total.</u> |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Totals                                   | 203                            | 380                               | 215             | 33              | 18              | 52                           | 901           |

Due to the widespread use of triple vaccine these figures are almost identical with the figures for diphtheria and whooping cough.

## School Health Service.

### (a) Periodic Medical Inspection of Pupils.

During the year a total of 4,194 children were examined in school. 590 were found to have defects requiring treatment, 238 being for defective vision.

### (b) Handicapped Pupils.

25 children were ascertained as requiring special educational treatment, that is, education which is beyond the resources of the ordinary school and recommendations were made as follows:-

|                                                                |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Admission to special schools for the educationally sub-normal  | - 6 pupils |
| Admission to special schools for delicate pupils               | - 7 "      |
| Admission to special schools for physically handicapped pupils | - 9 "      |
| Admission to special schools for the partially sighted         | - 2 "      |
| Admission to residential hostel for maladjusted children       | - 1 "      |

### (c) Consultant Clinics.

By arrangement with the Leeds Regional Board, consultant Eye and Orthopaedic clinics specially arranged for children were held regularly at the Hemsworth Central clinic. 79 children were seen at the Orthopaedic Clinics and 1,001 at the Eye Clinics. Of the latter 479 were prescribed spectacles.

In conjunction with the Orthopaedic Clinic, a Remedial exercise session is held weekly and during the year 20 children made 424 attendances.

10 children were referred for Child Guidance treatment to the specialist clinic at Pontefract.

### (d) Speech Therapy.

Our part time speech therapy held 48 sessions during the year, treating 28 children. 5 children were discharged, 1 for non-co-operation and 4 with speech normal or improved.

### (e) Ultra Violet Light Treatment.

64 sessions were held during the year. 59 children making 647 attendances.

(f) Special Medical Examinations.

In addition to the normal school and clinic work, the Divisional Medical staff also carried out 60 examinations of entrants to Training Colleges and 11 examinations under the Employment of Children regulations.

(g) Minor Ailment Clinics.

These are held at clinics and schools throughout the division and during the year 893 pupils were treated by the school nurses.

(h) Infestations with Vermin.

The school nurses carry out cleanliness inspections in each school at least once per term and during 1960, 24,408 children were thus examined. Of the 713 children found to be infested, 712 were cleansed after informal action by the nurse and only 1 required the issue of a statutory notice.







RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HEMSWORTH

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for 1960



Senior Public Health Inspector's Office,  
Brierley Hall,  
BRIERLEY,  
near Barnsley.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE RURAL COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

My Annual Report for the year 1960 is appended hereto for your consideration.

I will be noted that some new legislation has been added during the year, the matters of greatest interest being perhaps caravans and noise. In both cases the control by the local authority is strengthened. That does not mean that there will not be any difficulties as will be seen from the report.

Again I am indebted to the other members of the staff, the public cleansing personnel, the rodent operatives, the clerks and the district public health inspectors for their co-operation.

The support of the Chairman of the Public Health Committee and of the chairmen of the other committees was much appreciated. I am also indebted to the Medical Officer of Health and the other Chief Officers for their assistance and co-operation.

I have the honour to be, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

C.T. PEACOCK.

Senior Public Health Inspector.

## HOUSING.

Housing remains the outstanding problem of the year. The number of new houses erected was 85 while the number demolished was 30 and the number closed 20, leaving a balance of 35 to be distributed among the large number of people already sharing houses and the couples who married during the year. The total number of habitable rooms in the district is estimated to be well in excess of 60,000 so that, taken on a room basis, there is sufficient living accommodation for every one, a position which underlines the necessity of planning for the future.

During the year 28 houses were found to be unfit for human habitation, compared with 47 in the previous year, while the number rendered fit due to action by this department rose slightly from 160 to 1959 to 164 in 1960. The number of certificates of disrepair issued fell to 4.

The number of houses improved by means of grants rose to 130 compared with 53 in the previous year, and the number of advances for the purpose of acquiring houses rose from 25 to 33.

## VERMINOUS HOUSES (BED BUGS AND FLEAS).

15 houses were found to be infested with bed bugs, 10 fewer than in the previous year. It was confidently thought, when D.D.T. was introduced for public use at the end of the last war, that verminous premises would soon be a rarity. The efficacy of this insecticide is such that the incidence of malaria, a disease spread by insects, was only 1% among allied troops in New Guinea, while it was 95% in the Japanese army. The Allies used D.D.T., the Japanese did not.

The proportion of infested premises is small compared with the total, but even so, there is no reason for anyone being tormented by such creatures.

## WATER SUPPLY.

15,261 houses are connected to the public supply, leaving only 25 houses with a private supply - such a small ratio of private supplies reflects much credit on the Council, when the area of the Rural District is considered. Nevertheless, consideration is given to private supplies and connections to the public mains effected each time the opportunity arises.

All of the 120 samples of the public supply taken for chemical analysis and 62 of the 71 bacteriological samples were satisfactory. 9 of the latter were classified as doubtful. This, however, is a somewhat arbitrary standard. It indicates that the water is not unsatisfactory but that it is not quite up to the very high standard expected. All the doubtful samples were from the same premises. Various minor alterations were made until satisfactory samples were obtained.



The water supply to the various parts of the rural district was satisfactory in respect of both quality and quantity with the exception of Kirk and Little Smeaton, where there was a shortage during part of the year. The Council's Surveyor carried out certain works so that the quantity was raised to a satisfactory level. The new supply system to provide the parishes of Huntwick-cum-Foulby-and-Nostell, Hessle and Hilltop, and West Hardwick, from the Pontefract Corporation supply was completed and there is now no shortage in these parishes.

The water supply in the various parishes is obtained from outside sources as follows:-

| <u>Authority.</u>                         | <u>Source.</u>                                                    | <u>Parishes Served.</u>                                                                                                                    |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bamsley Corporation.                      | Principally upland surface with small proportion from a borehole. | Brierley, Havercroft, Ryhill, Shafton, South Elmsall, South Kirkby and South Hiendley.                                                     |
| Dearne Valley Water Board.                | Water lodge in Mine.                                              | Great Houghton, Little Houghton and Billingley.                                                                                            |
| Pontefract Borough.                       | Boreholes.                                                        | Ackworth, Badsworth, Kirk Smeaton, North Elmsall, Thorpe Audlin, Upton, Huntwick-with-Foulby and Nostell, Hessle & Hilltop, West Hardwick. |
| Doncaster and Tickhill Joint Water Board. | Boreholes.                                                        | Stubbs Walden.                                                                                                                             |

Further details concerning the water supply will be found under the appropriate heading in the statistics appended hereto.

#### PETROLEUM SPIRIT.

The storage of petroleum spirit requires very careful consideration. Any carelessness in connection with this matter can lead to serious accidents and many fatalities have occurred in the past.

It is with pleasure that the assistance of the West Riding County Council Fire Service, who have officers with specialised knowledge of this work, is recorded.



## SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

The number of slaughterhouses remains at 7, the same as last year. The legislation passed in recent years has resulted in improved hygienic conditions, and more stringent requirements are to come into force at the beginning of 1962.

## KNACKERS' YARDS.

Only one knacker's yard is licenced in the rural district. It is one connected with the Badsworth Hunt.

## MEAT.

100% inspection of all carcasses was again maintained. There was a large decrease in the number of pigs slaughtered.

The percentage of carcasses of cattle other than cows suffering from diseases other than tuberculosis and cysticerci fell from 24% in 1959 to 10.95% in 1960. The percentage of both cattle and pigs affected with tuberculosis also fell to a marked degree. 10 years ago the figure for cattle was 25.1% and for pigs 5.4%. When compared with the figures for the year 1960 of 1.19% and 1.6% respectively, the value of the work put in by the Veterinary service can be fairly assessed.

The total weight of meat found to be unfit was only about  $\frac{5}{4}$  of the previous year's condemnations.

## OTHER FOODS.

The total weight of foods other than fresh meat found to be unfit was also approximately 75% of that condemned in the previous year. No reason can be found for the similarity in the reduction which must be attributed to coincidence.

## FOOD HYGIENE.

The usual attention was paid to this important matter. All types of premises were visited - food preparing premises, shops, market stalls and vans selling foodstuffs.

During the year the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960 were introduced. They consolidate and extend previous regulations. The alterations affecting this district most are perhaps:-

1. The definition "meat" now includes rabbits, game and poultry.
2. Handling of food now includes washing up and the cleaning of food equipment.
3. The list of foods exempted from storage temperature requirements has been extended.

4. Vehicles used for the transport and delivery of food must be kept clean and in good condition.

#### CLEAN AIR ACT.

By far the biggest potential polluter of the atmosphere in this rural district is the National Coal Board. Fortunately the staff is clean air conscious so that a informal word results in steps being taken to abate any cause for complaint that may arise.

Burning colliery spoil banks are now a rarity, the improved methods of tipping being largely responsible.

#### MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

An important piece of legislation was introduced during 1960 - Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960. Briefly, this act prohibits the use of land as a caravan site without a licence, with certain exceptions, and enables the local authority, after consulting the Town & County Planning Authority, to grant a licence provided that any conditions imposed by the local authority be complied with. The Minister has issued a set of model standards so that reasonable uniformity should be attained throughout the country.

The effect on the so-called gipsy-type, though few of them are genuine gipsies, appears to be nil, for while the new act restricts the use of land by travelling caravans to two nights, with a total limit of 28 days in one year, the old difficulty remains - before a summons can be served they have disappeared. Meanwhile, the nuisance caused by the use of hedge-rows as sanitary conveniences, the turning of horses into growing crops the eyesores caused by heaps of scrap metal on the commons, and the paper and debris left on their camping sites, continues. One irate motorist was so incensed that he stopped at the next telephone booth to report that gipsies were chopping down silver birch samplings on one of the commons to use for firewood.

#### SWIMMING BATHS.

There are two swimming baths in the area, one private and one public. The attendant at each has the equipment to test the water for chlorine content and acidity and arrangements have been made for such tests to be carried out and recorded at frequent intervals throughout each day when the baths are in use. In addition, samples are taken by this department for more detailed examination. The standard required approximates to the standard for drinking water.

The public swimming bath is situate at South Elmsall. It is a brick structure with an asbestos roof. The bath itself is 25 yards by 10 yards with a depth varying from 3ft. to 6'6". It is tiled, has a scum channel and a concrete surround. Cubicles and lockers for the use of females are on the first floor, while the mens changing room is on the ground floor. Foot baths and conveniences are provided separately for each of the sexes. The water is obtained from that supplied by the Barnsley Corporation and enters the shallow end of the bath. From the deep end the water is pumped into the aerator and then through the rapid sand filter and calorifier. It is then treated with chlorine and soda ash



before returning to the shallow end of the bath. The turnover is estimated to be about 8 hours. The staff is comprised of two men who are employed full time and two women who are employed during the summer season only. All possess the Life Saving Certificate.

The private swimming bath is situate in the Society of Friends School, Ackworth. It is a brick built structure with one slope of the roof of asbestos sheeting and the other of blue slate, the whole being boarded on the underside. The bath itself is tiled, is provided with a scum channel and has a concrete surround which is rounded at the corners. It is 33 yds. long by 11 yds. wide and has a depth varying from 3'6" to 9 ft. Curtained cubicles are provided for changing. The water is derived from the mains supplied from the Pontefract Corporation supply. It is pumped to a high level tank, passes through an aerator, gravitates through a sieve, is treated with alumina and soda, passes through the gravity filter, then is heated and chlorinated before pumping to the bath. The water in the bath changes once in every 12 hours. This plant is rather outmoded and consideration is being given to its replacement.

#### FACTORIES ACTS, 1937-1959.

The number of factories remains substantially the same. The type of work done is diverse and includes the manufacture of clothing, bricks and tiles, bituminous products, fireworks, briquettes, coke and chemicals, grindstones, scythe stones, clogs etc.

#### NUISANCES.

The numbers found and abated were almost the same as in previous years.

#### PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The district is divided into two - the Eastern and the Western area - with depots at South Kirkby and Grimethorpe respectively. The Grimethorpe depot is equipped to carry out repairs but the building is old and the space is cramped. One engineer and one apprentice are employed there on vehicle maintenance.

The fleet of Bantam Karriers had obviously reached the end of its useful life and it was decided to replace them. Each was ten years old or more, and had stood up to its job for several years longer than the experts predicted.

The refuse tips at the beginning of the year were situate at Upton, South Elmsall, Manface Quarry, Great Houghton, Brierley, Ryhill, Ackworth and Little Smeaton. The one at Brierley was completed during the year, thereby eliminating a potential source of danger for it had been a quarry at the side of a hill at a bend into which a vehicle could easily have skidded in wet or frosty weather. The tip at Little Smeaton was discontinued as a bed of sand was to be quarried. At one quarry a hand grenade was found complete with pin.

## CESSPOOLS.

The emptying of cesspools is accomplished by one vehicle of 1100 gallons capacity. Small sewage disposal plants are preferable to cesspools and every assistance is given by the department to anyone not able to connect to the public sewer to design a plant, provided there is a suitable outfall.

## SALVAGE.

The Scheme for the collection of waste paper from trade premises was continued although it showed a loss. The shops are scattered and comparatively small so that a profit-making collection is not possible. Nevertheless, the advantage of sending some 82 tons of waste paper and cardboard for re-constitution, instead of having it in the refuse tips, or burnt to pollute the atmosphere, or surreptitiously dumped on the roadside when no-one is looking, makes the scheme well work while.

## LITTER BINS.

Litter bins were installed along the Barnsley Road, South Elmsall, between the Picture House and the Chequers Inn, as a prelude to installing them at strategic points throughout the rural district. Several were damaged by hooligans.

## SANITARY ACCOMMODATION.

The proportion of water closets increases year by year as new houses are built. This proportion will again be increased as the sewerage of Badsworth and Thorpe Audlin was completed in 1960. As with piped water supplies the proportion is high for a rural district but no opportunity for an improvement is missed.

## PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

There are 14 public conveniences in the district of which 10 are combined with bus shelters. The wanton damage by hooligans continues with unabated enthusiasm and still no witnesses have come forward.

## RODENT CONTROL.

The Rodent Control Service continued throughout the year. Sewers were test-baited and treated wherever necessary. Refuse tips and sewage works were treated every three months and more frequently when required. Dwellinghouses were treated free of charge.

## PUBLIC SEATS.

The heavy concrete seats are the ones now used. They are placed on any new sites and any of the old sites where the existing seats need replacement. Wilful destruction has decreased but only because the latest type is difficult to damage.

## MILK.

The principal matter of interest in connection with milk is the Milk (Special Designations) Regulations, 1960. They consolidate previous regulations concerning designated milk and introduces several changes, the principal ones being:-

1. Dealers' licences permit sales outside the granting authority's area as well as inside it.
2. A new type of licence has been introduced for dealers in pre-packed milk.
3. A dealer's licence is extended from one year to five years.
4. Certain alterations have been introduced concerning the tests for tuberculin tested milk.

## NOISE.

Noise has increased considerably during the last few decades due to the increase in traffic, the expansion of the use of aeroplanes, the introduction of jet engines, pneumatic drills, radios etc. The effect of noise upon the human being varies with the individual. Much thought has been given to the noise in buildings and many authorities have had local acts passed to deal specifically with this matter. Vibration frequently accompanies noise.

In the past any noise vibration that amounted to a nuisance usually had to be dealt with by common law. The introduction of the Noise Abatement Act, 1960, enables a local authority to deal with the matter or, alternatively, for any three occupiers of the land or premises affected by the nuisance to appeal to a magistrate. The act does not apply to aircraft or local authority undertakings. It is a defence, in the case of such nuisances being caused by trade or business, to show that the best practicable means have been used for its abatement.

The Act also limits the use of loudspeakers in streets. They are prohibited in streets between 9 p.m. and 8 a.m. except in special circumstances but they may be used at other times to announce that perishable foodstuffs are for sale, provided that they are sold from a vehicle to which the loudspeaker is attached. They must not be used for the advertising of any trade, business or entertainment.



HOUSING.

|                                                                                                                         |       |       |      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| No. of houses inspected during the year under the<br>Public Health or Housing Acts                                      | ..... | ..... | 351  |
| Number of inspections made for the purpose                                                                              | ..... | ..... | 2130 |
| No. of houses considered to be in a state so<br>dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit<br>for human habitation | ..... | ..... | 28   |
| No. of dwellinghouses rendered fit as a result of<br>informal action                                                    | ..... | ..... | 80   |
| No. of dwellinghouses rendered fit as a result of<br>statutory powers                                                   | ..... | ..... | 84   |
| No. of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition<br>Orders were made                                                | ..... | ..... | 11   |
| No. of dwellinghouses in respect of which Closing<br>Orders were made                                                   | ..... | ..... | 17   |
| No. of Certificates of Disrepair issued under<br>the Rent Act, 1957                                                     | ..... | ..... | 4    |
| No. of Undertakings accepted                                                                                            | ..... | ..... | 2    |
| No. of Certificates cancelled                                                                                           | ..... | ..... | 2    |

| <u>VERMINOUS HOUSES (bed bugs and fleas).</u> | <u>Council.</u> | <u>Others.</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Number found to be infested                   | 3               | 12             |
| Number disinfested                            | 3               | 12             |

WATER SUPPLIES.

No. of samples examined:-

|                | Chemical |        | Plumbo-Solvency |        | Bacteriological |                      |
|----------------|----------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|----------------------|
|                | Sat.     | Unsat. | Sat.            | Unsat. | Sat.            | Unsat.               |
| Public Supply  | 120      | -      | 120             | -      | 71              | 9<br>(doubtful)      |
| Private Supply | -        | -      | -               | -      | 3               | 2                    |
| Total          | 120      | -      | 120             | -      | 74              | 2<br>9<br>(doubtful) |

WATER.

Table showing position in each Parish:-

| Parish.                          | Estimated<br>Population. | Houses on direct<br>mains supply. | Houses on<br>Stand-pipes. | Houses on<br>private supply | Total number of<br>houses |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ackworth                         | 4464                     | 1356                              | 0                         | 0                           | 1356                      |
| Badsworth                        | 212                      | 60                                |                           |                             | 60                        |
| Billingley                       | 152                      | 47                                |                           |                             | 47                        |
| Brierley                         | 7897                     | 2238                              |                           | 6                           | 2244                      |
| Havercroft                       | 2586                     | 751                               | 0                         | 0                           | 751                       |
| Great Houghton                   | 2407                     | 708                               | 0                         | 3                           | 711                       |
| Hessle & Hill Top                | 124                      | 45                                | 0                         | 0                           | 45                        |
| Huntwick, Foulby<br>and Nostell. | 322                      | 59                                | 0                         | 0                           | 59                        |
| Kirk Smeaton                     | 222                      | 78                                | 2                         | 0                           | 80                        |
| Little Houghton                  | 962                      | 287                               | 0                         | 0                           | 287                       |
| Little Smeaton                   | 270                      | 80                                | 0                         | 2                           | 82                        |
| North Elmsall                    | 3366                     | 880                               | 0                         | 3                           | 883                       |
| Ryhill                           | 2595                     | 816                               | 0                         | 0                           | 816                       |
| Shafton                          | 2313                     | 713                               | 0                         | 0                           | 713                       |
| South Elmsall                    | 7684                     | 2311                              | 0                         | 4                           | 2315                      |
| South Hiendley                   | 1468                     | 476                               | 0                         | 0                           | 476                       |
| South Kirkby                     | 11796                    | 3545                              | 0                         | 0                           | 3545                      |
| Thorpe Audlin                    | 331                      | 92                                | 0                         | 2                           | 94                        |
| Upton                            | 2261                     | 686                               | 0                         | 1                           | 687                       |
| Walden Stubbs                    | 84                       | 25                                | 0                         | 4                           | 29                        |
| West Hardwick                    | 20                       | 6                                 | 0                         | 0                           | 6                         |
| Totals.                          | 51536                    | 15259                             | 2                         | 25                          | 15286                     |

PETROLEUM SPIRIT.

|                               |      |      |      |      |    |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|----|
| Number of licences renewed    | .... | .... | .... | .... | 59 |
| Number of new licences issued | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2  |

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

|                                                   |      |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|------|---|
| Number of private slaughterhouses in the district | .... | 7 |
| Number of licences issued during the year         | .... | 7 |

KNACKERS' YARDS.

|                                            |      |      |   |
|--------------------------------------------|------|------|---|
| Number of licences renewed during the year | .... | .... | 1 |
|--------------------------------------------|------|------|---|

SLAUGHTERMEN.

|                                               |      |      |    |
|-----------------------------------------------|------|------|----|
| Number of licences renewed during the year    | .... | .... | 26 |
| Number of new licences issued during the year | .... | .... | 3  |

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

|                                                                                                           | Cattle<br>excluding<br>cows. | Cows. | Calves. | Sheep<br>and<br>Lambs. | Pigs. | Horses. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|---------|------------------------|-------|---------|
| Number killed                                                                                             | 502                          | -     | 3       | 912                    | 695   | -       |
| Number inspected                                                                                          | 502                          | -     | 3       | 912                    | 695   | -       |
| All diseases except<br>Tuberculosis and<br>Cysticerci:                                                    |                              |       |         |                        |       |         |
| Whole carcasses<br>condemned                                                                              | -                            | -     | -       | -                      | 1     | -       |
| Carcasses in which some<br>part or organ was<br>condemned.                                                | 55                           | -     | -       | 21                     | 31    | -       |
| Percentage of the<br>number inspected<br>affected with disease<br>other than tuberculosis<br>& cysticerci | 10.95                        | -     | -       | 2.3                    | 4.6   | -       |
| Tuberculosis only:                                                                                        |                              |       |         |                        |       |         |
| Whole carcasses<br>condemned                                                                              | 1                            | -     | -       | -                      | -     | -       |
| Carcasses of which<br>some part or organ was<br>condemned                                                 | 5                            | -     | -       | -                      | 11    | -       |

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED (Cont'd...)

|                                                                     | Cattle<br>excluding<br>cows. | Cows. | Calves. | Sheep<br>and<br>Lambs. | Pigs. | Horses. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|---------|------------------------|-------|---------|
| Percentage of the number<br>inspected affected with<br>tuberculosis | 1.19                         | -     | -       | -                      | 1.6   | -       |
| Cysticercosis:                                                      |                              |       |         |                        |       |         |
| Carcases of which some<br>part of organ was<br>condemned            | -                            | -     | -       | -                      | -     | -       |
| Carcases submitted to<br>treatment by refriger-<br>ation.           | -                            | -     | -       | -                      | -     | -       |
| Generalised and totally<br>condemned.                               | -                            | -     | -       | -                      | -     | -       |

|                                                                          |   |      |     |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------|-----|-----|
|                                                                          |   | Cwts | Qrs | lbs |
| Total weight of home killed meat condemned<br>at private slaughterhouses | - | 16   | 2   | 9   |

|                                     |      |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|
| Number of visits to slaughterhouses | .... | 1096 |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|

|                                       |      |   |   |    |
|---------------------------------------|------|---|---|----|
| Total weight of other foods condemned | .... | 9 | 3 | 11 |
|---------------------------------------|------|---|---|----|

|                       |      |      |    |
|-----------------------|------|------|----|
| Number of inspections | .... | .... | 28 |
|-----------------------|------|------|----|

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955, AND ICE CREAM.

(1) Number of food premises in the area:-

(a) Catering establishments 39. (b) Bakehouses 10.

(c) Other food shops 278.

(2) Number of food premises registered under Section 16 of the Food  
and Drugs Act, 1955:-

(a) Ice cream:

(i) Manufacturers 3. (ii) Retailers 115.

(b) Sausages, Potted or Preserved Foods 30.



CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956.

(a) Industrial Smoke:

Number of presecutions under the Act . . . . . Nil.

(b) Domestic Smoke:

Number of smoke control areas declared during year Nil.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

No. of sites licensed for caravans for holiday and recreational purposes . . . . . Nil.

No. of caravans on these sites . . . . . Nil.

No. of sites licensed for caravans for residential purposes . . . . . Nil.

No. of caravans on these sites . . . . . Nil.

No. of caravans licensed individually . . . . . 8.

SWIMMING BATHS AND BATHING POOLS.

(i) No. of Public swimming baths or pools . . . . . 1.

(ii) No. of privately owned baths or pools open to the public . . . . . Nil.

(iii) No. of swimming baths exclusive to schools . . . . . 1.

(iv) No. of paddling pools . . . . . Nil.

No. of samples of bath waters examined . . . . . 36.

Number satisfactory . . . . . 36.



FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959.

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors).

| Premises.                                                                                                  | No. on Register. | Inspections. | No. of written notices. | Occupiers prosecuted. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| (1) Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority                 | 7                | 15           | Nil                     | Nil                   |
| (2) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority                    | 67               | 58           | Nil                     | Nil                   |
| (3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises). | 5                | 5            | Nil                     | Nil                   |
| Totals .....                                                                                               | 79               | 78           | -                       | -                     |

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

| Particulars.                   | Found | Remedied | Referred          |                   | Prosecutions. |
|--------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
|                                |       |          | to H.M. Inspector | by H.H. Inspector |               |
| Want of cleanliness            | 2     | 1        | -                 | 1                 | -             |
| Overcrowding                   | -     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Unreasonable temp.             | -     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Inadequate ventilation         | 1     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Ineffective drainage of floors | -     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Sanitary Conveniences:         |       |          |                   |                   |               |
| (a) Insufficient               | 1     | -        | -                 | 1                 | -             |
| (b) Unsuitable                 | 1     | -        | -                 | 1                 | -             |
| (c) No. separate for sexes.    | -     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Other offences                 | -     | -        | -                 | -                 | -             |
| Totals                         | 5     | 1        | -                 | 3                 | -             |

Outworkers - None.

NUISANCES.

|                                |       |       |       |     |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| Number found during 1960       | ..... | ..... | ..... | 839 |
| Number in hand 1959            | ..... | ..... | ..... | 128 |
| Total requiring abatement      | ..... | ..... | ..... | 967 |
| Abated during the year         | ..... | ..... | ..... | 874 |
| Outstanding at the end of 1960 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 93  |

NOTICES.

|                                               |       |       |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----|
| Number of informal notices served during 1960 | ..... | ..... | 132 |
| Number complied with (128 from previous year) | ..... | ..... | 197 |
| Number of statutory notices served            |       |       | 55  |
| Number complied with (63 from previous year)  | ..... | ..... | 80  |
| Number of legal proceedings taken             | ..... | ..... | 1   |

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION.

|                                               |       |       |       |       |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Number of privies                             | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 193    |
| Number of pail closets                        | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 181    |
| Number of water closets added during the year | ..... |       |       | ..... | 85     |
| Number of houses provided with water closets  | ..... |       |       | ..... | 14,912 |
| Other types of closets constructed            |       |       | ..... | ..... | Nil    |
| Total number of water closets                 | ..... | ..... |       | ..... | 16,447 |

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

|                                  |          |       |        |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| Number of premises with dustbins | .....    | ..... | 15,977 |
| Cost of Public Cleansing         | £34,703. |       |        |

CESSPOOL EMPTYING.

|                           |         |       |       |     |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-----|
| Number of cesspools       | .....   | ..... | ..... | 153 |
| Cost of cesspool emptying | £1,890. |       |       |     |

SALVAGE.

|                                                          |       |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Cost of collection of waste paper from business premises | ..... | £161. |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|

# VISITS AND INSPECTIONS.

|                                                             |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Housing                                                     | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 406   |
| Rent Act, 1957                                              | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 42    |
| Nuisances and complaints                                    |       | ..... | ..... | ..... | 945   |
| Drains and sewers                                           | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 631   |
| Sanitary conveniences                                       | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 221   |
| Infectious diseases                                         | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 81    |
| Food poisoning (and suspected food poisoning and dysentery) |       |       |       |       | 815   |
| Ponds, ditches, etc.                                        | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 67    |
| Moveable dwellings                                          | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 292   |
| Changes in tenancies (Council houses).                      |       |       | ..... | ..... | 336   |
| Applications to take in lodger s                            |       | ..... | ..... | ..... | 190   |
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